

The Office of Civil Rights and Wage Enforcement

Baltimore City Community Relations Commission

The Baltimore Community Relations Commission investigates claims of discrimination and assists people who have been discriminated against by enforcing the laws that protect them. The Baltimore Community Relations Commission combats unlawful discrimination in employment, public accommodation, housing, education, and health and welfare services. Discrimination based on race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or marital status is illegal in the City of Baltimore.

Baltimore City Civilian Review Board

The Civilian Review Board of Baltimore City is an independent agency in the city through which members of the public can issue a complaint against officers of various law enforcement units. The Civilian Review Board takes complaints that allege the use of excessive force, abusive language, harassment, false arrest, and false imprisonment. The law enforcement units that the Civilian Review Board handles complaints for are: the Baltimore City Police Department, the Baltimore City School Police, the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office, the Baltimore Environmental Police, and the Police Forces of the Baltimore City Community College and Morgan State University. The Civilian Review Board also reviews Police Department procedures and makes recommendations to the Commissioner.

Baltimore City Wage Commission

The Wage Commission was established by City Ordinance to enforce provisions of the City Wage Law and to establish prevailing and living wages for employees of contractors doing business with the City. The Wage Commission enforces the minimum wage, the living wage, and the prevailing wage in the City of Baltimore.